

## BUY AMERICA PROVISION

Buy America (as documented in [88 FR 57750 \(2 CFR part 184 and 200\)](#) from the Office of Management and Budget: [Federal Register: Guidance for Grants and Agreements](#) ) shall be domestic products and permanently incorporated in this project as classified in the following three categories, and as noted in the Construction and Materials Manual (CMM):

### 1. Iron and Steel

All iron and steel manufacturing and coating processes (from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings) must have occurred within the United States. Coating includes epoxy coating, galvanizing, painting and any other coating that protects or enhances the value of a material subject to the requirements of Buy America.

The exemption of the iron and steel manufacturing and coating processes Buy America requirement is the minimal use of foreign materials if the total cost of such material permanently incorporated in the product does not exceed one-tenth of one percent (1/10 of 1%) of the total contract cost or \$2,500.00, whichever is greater. For purposes of this paragraph, the cost is that shown to be the value of the subject products as they are delivered to the project.

### 2. Manufactured Product

All manufactured products (as defined in CMM 228.5) are covered under a previous waiver from 1983 and are currently exempt from Buy America.

### 3. Construction Material

All construction materials (as defined in [88 FR 57750 \(2 CFR part 184 and 200\)](#) and as referenced in CMM 228.5) must comply with Buy America. All manufacturing process of construction materials must occur in the United States.

[88 FR 55817 \(DOT-OST-2022-0124\)](#) allows a limited waiver of Buy America requirements for de minimis costs and small grants.

- The Total value of the non-compliant products is no more than the lesser of \$1,000,000 or 5% of total applicable costs for the project<sup>1</sup>; or
- The total amount of Federal financial assistance applied to the project, through awards or subaward, is below \$500,000<sup>2</sup>

The contractor shall take actions and provide documentation conforming to CMM 228.5 to ensure compliance with this Buy America provision.

<https://wisconsin.gov/rdwy/cmm/cm-02-28.pdf>

Upon completion of the project, certify to the engineer, in writing using department form DT4567 that all iron and steel, manufactured products, and construction materials conform to this Buy America provision.

Form DT4567 is available at: <https://wisconsin.gov/Documents/formdocs/dt4567.docx>

Attach a list of iron or steel and construction material exemptions and their associated costs to the certification form using the Buy America Exemption Tracking Tool, available at:

<https://wisconsin.gov/hccidocs/contracting-info/buy-america-exemption-tracking-tool.xlsx>

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<sup>1</sup> The de minimis public interest waiver does not apply to iron and steel subject to the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 313 on financial assistance administered by FHWA. The de minimis threshold in 23 CFR 635.410(b)(4) continues to apply for iron and steel.

<sup>2</sup> The small grant portion of the waiver does not apply to iron, steel, and manufactured goods subject to the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 22905(a).